IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Gale et al.

: EXAMINER: Herbert J. Lilling

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FOR: Fermentation Method for the

Preparation of Testolactone by Fusarium

Species

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Actions in this application, mailed on <u>February 5 and February 21, 2008 be extended.</u> The term for responding to these Office Actions was set to expire three months from February 5, 2008 and February 21, 2008, respectively, i.e., on May 5, 2008 and May 21, 2008. Applicants include a petition for a <u>three month extension</u> of time such that the term for responding expires on <u>August 5, 2008</u>.

Applicants believe that only one extension of time fee should be required. Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445.

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Respectfully submitted,

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